



## Middlesex Fells StoryWalk™

Here at the Middlesex Fells State Reservation, we have erected seven **StoryWalks™** since 2014 on Crystal Springs Trail adjacent to the playground at Greenwood Park (across from Stone Zoo). The **StoryWalk™** is a self-guided walk featuring children's books that allows visitors to walk a trail and use their senses to connect with their surroundings while enjoying the magic of reading together outdoors! Foster your child's connection with nature as well as their literacy skills! The **StoryWalks™** shown below have been featured here at the Fells.



**Here are some of the comments from parents:**

*"This was so great! It was just the right length for small children, and we were able to read the story as well as hike in the beautiful nature of the park."*

*"Our kids were running to the next page to see what would happen next in the story."*

*"Please do this again. My kids loved it!"*



*"It was a great activity! The kids are outside, and they're reading, too!"*

*"What a great idea! Please do it again!"*



We plan to erect a StoryWalk™ at Greenwood Park once a season, targeting school vacations and holidays. The StoryWalk™ is set up for 2 weeks, allowing ample time for all visitors to enjoy this engaging self-guided program.



Our next StoryWalk™ will focus on Earth Day, and will be set up from Saturday, April 16 – Monday, April 25 on the trail in back of the playground in Greenwood Park. Please come and join us! Happy reading!

**The StoryWalk™ Project was created by Anne Ferguson of Montpelier, VT and developed in collaboration with the Vermont Bicycle & Pedestrian Coalition and the Kellogg Hubbard Library.**

